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Please review the attached message and coordinate among yourselves what you think can or should be done by checking our own databases or by asking the USSS or the SSCI. I have bolded the topics that seem most important and capable of being answered.To: Jeremy_Gunn @ jfk-arrb.gov (arrb) @ internetcc: (bcc: Jeremy Gunn/ARRB)From: kathy @ praxis.net (Kathy Cunningham) @ INTERNET @ WORLDCOM Date: 02/05/97 02:03:36 AM CSTSubject: Press Accounts of Autopsy Prior to 12/18/63Dear Mr. Gunn, I just now found the attached AP news article from the 12/10/63 NEWSLEADER (Richmond, Va., page 11). If you can't read jpeg files, let me know and I'll retype the article for you. It cites a source familiar with the autopsy findings saying that two bullets struck the President. It does not mention the names of any of the pathologists. If you are not yet aware of it, I'd like to point out the final paragraph of HSCA 002152 - a memo on a telephone conversation between the HSCA's Andy Purdy and Parkland's Dr. Perry. This paragraph discloses that Dr. Humes phoned Dr. Perry while Dr. Perry was in Detroit and alleged that Perry's wife had made "a threat" against him [Humes]. This threat, although discovered to be "untrue" was investigated by the United States Secret Service. No date is offered for when this might have happened, but the wording is suggestive of it occurring between the end of the Warren Commission's life and prior to the HSCA's. I find several things very disturbing about this. First is the matter of jurisdiction. The Secret Service should not have been involved in a threat made by one private citizen against another. Second is that in light of the allegations of James Gochenaur that Secret Service Agent Elmer Moore harassed Dr. Perry into changing his testimony, combined with the absence of both Gochenaur and Moore's testimony to Sweiker from the National Archives, this is alarming, and could reflect yet another form of harassment against Dr. Perry. The third reason is that we know that Moore and his partner, Roger C. Warner, were repeatedly at Parkland during the 3 wks following the assassination. An unindexed report by Moore dated 12/11/63 refers to his interview with Dr. Perry (and to Moore having reviewed the autopsy report) but just a reference to that interview. However, in looking at the work patterns of Moore and Warner, it was their habit for only one of them to write the report, thus the report on Perry's interview may have been written by Warner, even though Moore did the interview. I can find no Secret Service report on this investigation of Mrs. Perry in the Archives' database. I also can find no evidence that Perry gave testimony to the Church Committee, which seems extraordinary if there is even a grain of truth in Gochenaur's allegations. But Moore, at least, did give testimony to Sen Sweiker - so why isn't it in the Archives? Moore also intimidated the HSCA staffers who felt that he should be handled with boxing gloves. Yet there seems to be no follow-up on Moore by them after their initial and upsetting contact - at least as

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